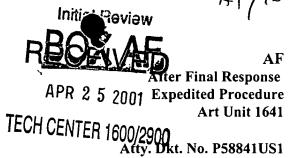
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

RIGLER et al.

TC Art Unit: 1641

Serial No.: 09/021,410

Examiner: M. Pham

Filed: February 10, 1998

For:

A METHOD AND A DEVICE FOR THE EVALUATION OF BIOPOLYMER FITNESS

## **TRANSMITTAL**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is Amendment in the above-captioned application.

- \_ Small Entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- No fee is considered necessary.
- XX If a Petition for Extension of Time is necessary and the Petition and/or the check is not enclosed, this will act as the Petition and applicant herewith petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response and charge any fees necessary under 37 CFR 1.17 (a)-(d) to Deposit Account No. 06-1358. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge payment of any other additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1358.

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